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INFORMATION PAPER

SUBJECT: Catastrophic Disaster Response Planning (CDRP) Program

- 1. Purpose: Provide an overview of Honolulu District's CDRP program.
- 2. Points of Major Interest and Facts: The CDRP program establishes a "worst case" scenario and then develops plans to accomplish response and recovery. CDRP is a civil works (i.e. O&M General) funded and is limited to planning for catastrophic natural disasters. However, much of the damage derived from a worse case scenario is believed to be common to the possible results from a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) or terrorist event
- a. Victim District. CDRP, by definition, is beyond the capability of a single District. Both of the CDRP scenarios in Pacific Ocean Division (POD), a major Anchorage earthquake and Category IV hurricane making landfall in Honolulu, render the cognizant District a victim. As a victim, the affected District's principle responsibility is to reconstitute.
- b. The Division Forward. The Division Commander Forward (DCF) has overall responsibility for executing FEMA assigned missions. The DCF is responsible for executing normal victim district missions, specifically support to cognizant military installations normally supported by the victim district. The DCF commands the Recovery Field Office [RFO].
- c. The ESF-3 team (ESF #3 is a designation from the National Response Plan) is responsible to scope all FEMA missions, task the RFO to execute missions, and coordinate among the other state and federal agencies in the response. The ESF #3 team is composed of a team leader, assistant team leader, administrative assistant, Action Officers/representatives from each mission PRT, and logistics. ESF #3 personnel work for the USACE Director of Civil Works who is the response task force commander, but are under the operational command [OPCON] of the FEMA Operations Chief.
- d. The RFO is a mini-District. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will task or mission assign the Division with specific missions. These FEMA missions will be accomplished by the responding Response Field Office (RFO). In the Anchorage CDRP, Honolulu District will lead the RFO. In the Honolulu CDRP, Alaska District will lead the RFO. The RFO has the full capability to execute any FEMA assigned mission. Key staff to manage the response will come from a single District (POH will provide key staff for an Anchorage earthquake and POA will provide key staff for a Honolulu typhoon). The RFO is augmented by Planning and Response Teams (PRT). Available PRTs include: Water, Ice, Power, Debris, Temporary Roofing, Temporary Housing, Structural Safety, and Emergency Access. Available functional Subject Matter Experts or Cadre include: Public Affairs, Real Estate, Resource Management, Human Resources, Logistics, Safety, Audit, Contracting, ENGLink, and Information Management. Additional resources are available through Corps-wide recruitment (typically Quality Assurance inspectors) via ENGLink.